signed with Independent Television Company;

(b) whether it is a news agency or only caters to television; what are its credentials including its experience, competence and past contracts; and

(c) the names of the persons who own and run the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): (a) The terms and conditions of contract between Independent Television Company Limited and Doordarshan are given in the statement.

(b) Independent Television Company is a programme production company as well as a visual news agency. It had earlier done coverages during the mourning period after Mrs. Indira Gandhi's assassination. It had also collaborated with Doordarshan on the telecast of election bulletins during General Election of December, 1984. This Company has been producing a sponsored programme 'Quiz Time' which is shown on Sundays in the National Programme of Doordarshan. Employees on its roll are experienced journalists.

(c) Independent Television Company is a Private Limited Company. Doordarshan has no information about owners of this company.

Statement

Terms and conditions of the contract entered into between Doordarshan and Independent Television Company Private Limited for supply of news clips/features to Doordarshan

I. Doordarshan has entered into contract for a period of maximum of six months for supply of news clips and news features to Doordarshan.

II. The terms and conditions are:

1. Doordarshan will have absolute right and the final editorial option regarding use of the material sent by ITV.

2. News clips from the News Agency should reach the News Room at least two hours in advance of News telecast time.

3. News Agency will concentrate activities in those areas where the coverage of Doordarshan's own team is not comprehensive, for example, North Eastern Region.

4. Wherever Microwave links are available, the material to be supplied will be sent over these microwave links. Separate instructions will issue from Directorate General: Doordarshan to concerned Doordarshan Kendra to accept material for feeding it on the microwave. However, where microwave facilities are not available, ITV will work out detailed arrangements with Indian Airlines for airfreighting the material. ITV's local office should collect the material at the airport and deliver it to the News Room. News Room will be appropriately sounded in advance that they can expect a coverage from the stipulated area by way of a telephone call or a Telex. A rate of Rs. 50 per second will be payable to ITV for news clips supplied by them from all parts of the country and accepted for telecast by Doordarshan.

5. Doordarshan will not pay any separate conveyance or other charges connected with the supply of the coverage.

6. The rates fixed above will be applicable to News visuals of impressive coverage of immediate and important News breaks. These rates will not be applicable to routine News Visuals of inaugurations, conferences, known festivals and such types of events for which Doordarshan team have been assigned.

7. Unless there are scopes and coverages of absolute immediate nature. ITV will consult Doordarshan in advance for coverages wherever possible.

रेगिस्तान विकास कार्यक्रम

2567. **श्री कैलाश पति मिश्र :**
श्री प्यारे लाल खंडेलवाल :
श्री शंकर सिंह वाघेला :

क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राष्ट्रीय कृषि आयोग की सिफारिशों के अनुसार

1977-78 में सरकार ने "रेगिस्तान विकास कार्यक्रम" आरम्भ किया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके अन्तर्गत अब तक क्या उपलब्धियां रही हैं; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि रेगिस्तान के इलाकों में संसाधनों की स्थिति में बिगाड़ हुआ है; यदि हां, तो कितना बिगाड़ आया है और इसके क्या कारण है तथा किस तरह का बिगाड़ आया है ?

ग्रामीण विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री चन्दूलाल चन्द्राकर) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग) इस कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य रेत के टीले जमाना, वायुरोधी पौध रोपण व वनरोपण तथा भूमि का विकास, वर्षा सिंचाई की योजनाओं के माध्यम से क्षेत्र के जल तथा पशुधन संसाधनों का विकास, भूमि संरक्षण जल संचयन तथा भूमिगत पानी का प्रयोग, बरानी खेती तथा पशुधन, चरागाह और चारा का विकास करके मरुस्थलीकरण को रोकना है । मरूभूमि विकास कार्यक्रम पर 1977-78 और 1979-80 के दौरान 23.72 करोड़ रुपये और छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान लगभग 73.55 करोड़ रुपये का व्यय हुआ । छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान वास्तविक उपलब्धियां इस पौधरोपण के अन्तर्गत 53,867 हेक्टेयर भूमि को शामिल किया गया; लगभग 12086 हेक्टेयर में रेत के टीले जमाए गए; 32611 कि०मी० में वायुरोधी पौधरोपण किया गया; 7880 हेक्टेयर में सिंचाई सम्भाव्यता बढ़ाई गई; 82528 हेक्टेयर से अधिक भूमि पर भूमि सर्वेक्षण आरम्भ किया गया; 161 पशु चिकित्सालय तथा 24 भेड़ पालन केन्द्र स्थापित किए गए तथा लगभग 8.8 मिलियन श्रम दनों का मजदूरी रोजगार सृजित किया गया ।

छठी योजना के दौरान इस कार्यक्रम पर हुए व्यय को केन्द्र तथा राज्यों द्वारा बराबर-बराबर वहन किया गया । सातवीं योजना के दौरान भारत सरकार द्वारा इस कार्यक्रम के लिए शत-प्रतिशत वित्तीय सहायता दी जाएगी । सातवीं योजना में इस कार्यक्रम हेतु 245 करोड़ रुपये के परिव्यय का प्रावधान किया गया है ।

New oil mills in Andhra Pradesh

2568. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Industrial licences/ letters of intent issued to set up Oil Mils in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the places in Andhra Pradesh where these new oil mills are proposed to be set up;

(c) the number of oil mills to be set up in the backward areas of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) 22 Industrial licences and 9 letters of intent have been issued to set up oil mills in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) to (d) Details are given in the statement enclosed.